

Amendments to the Claims

1. (previously presented) An automated banking machine currency cassette including:

a media-low indicator device,

wherein the indicator device is operative to indicate a cassette media-low condition,

wherein the indicator device is operative for movement between an indicating position and a non-indicating position,

a media-low lockout arrangement,

wherein the arrangement is operative to automatically lock the indicator device in one of the indicating and non-indicating positions.

2-44. (canceled)

45. (previously presented) The apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the arrangement is operative to automatically lock the indicator device in a non-indicating condition.

46. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 45 wherein the arrangement is operative to automatically place the indicator device in an unlocked condition.

47. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 46 wherein the arrangement is operative to automatically place the indicator device in an unlocked condition during insertion of the cassette into an automated banking machine.

48. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 47 wherein the cassette comprises a door, wherein the door is operative to move during insertion of the cassette into an automated banking machine, and wherein the indicator device is placed in an unlocked condition responsive to the door movement.

49. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 48 wherein the door comprises a tambour door.

50. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 46 wherein the cassette comprises a lid, and wherein the arrangement is operative to automatically place the indicator device in an unlocked condition during opening of the lid.

51. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 45 wherein the arrangement is operative to automatically place the indicator device in a locked condition during removal of the cassette from an automated banking machine.

52. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 51 wherein the cassette comprises a door, wherein the door is operative to move during removal of the cassette from an automated banking machine, and wherein the indicator device is placed in a locked condition responsive to the door movement.

53. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 52 wherein the door comprises a tambour door.

54. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 45 wherein the cassette comprises a lid, and wherein the arrangement is operative to automatically place the indicator device in a locked condition during closing of the lid.

55. (previously presented) The cassette according to claim 45 wherein the locking arrangement maintains the indicator device in a locked condition during transport.

56. (currently amended) A method including:

- (a) inserting a media cassette into an automated banking machine, wherein the cassette includes a media-low indicator device, wherein the indicator device in an unlocked condition is operative to move between an indicating position and a non-indicating position;
- (b) removing the cassette from the machine, wherein the removal is operative to automatically ~~lock place~~ the indicator device in a locked condition relative to the unlocked condition ~~generally fixed position~~.

57. (currently amended) The method according to claim 56 and further comprising

- (c) opening a lid of the cassette, wherein the opening is operative to automatically ~~unlock place~~ the indicator device in the unlocked condition from the locked condition ~~generally fixed position~~ of (b).

58. (currently amended) The method according to claim 57 and further comprising

- (d) closing the lid, wherein the closing is operative to automatically ~~lock place~~ the indicator device in the locked condition ~~a generally fixed position~~.

59. (currently amended) The method according to claim 58 wherein the insertion in (a) is operative to automatically ~~unlock~~ place the indicator device in the unlocked condition from the locked condition ~~generally fixed position~~ of (d).

60. (currently amended) A method including:

- (a) closing the lid of a media cassette, wherein the cassette includes a media-low indicator device, wherein the closing is operative to automatically ~~lock~~ place the indicator device in a ~~generally fixed position~~ locked condition relative to an unlocked condition, wherein the indicator device in an unlocked condition is operative to move between an indicating position and a non-indicating position;
- (b) inserting the cassette into an automated banking machine, wherein the insertion is operative to automatically ~~unlock~~ place the indicator device in the unlocked condition from the ~~generally fixed position~~ locked condition.